(d) if so, the steps Government propose to take for implementation thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) Under the Pradhan Mantri Gramodaya Yojana (PMGY), district-wise allocations are not made for any State Government. Similarly, under the Pradhan Mantri Rozgar Yojana (PMRY), Central Government fixes State-wise targets for beneficiaries. The State Government/District Industries Centres implement the PMRY Scheme. The amounts allocated and released under PMGY and the amount released under PMRY during 2000-01 and 2001-02 to Karnataka are as follows :

(Rs. in lakh)

	2000-01		2001-02	
	Allocated	Released	Allocated	Released
PMGY	7513	6949.31	8415	3957.50
PMRY		134.19		60.77

(b) The feedback on the amount spent so far under PMRY is not available from the State Government both for 2000-01 and 2001-02. However, under PMGY, as against Rs. 6949.31 lakh released during 2000-01, the State Government has reported utilisation of an amount of Rs. 4644 lakh. The first instalment of funds for the current year 2001-02 has been released recently under PMGY.

(c) Both PMGY and PMRY are being implemented in Karnataka.

(d) Question does not arise.

Construction of New National Highways in Tamil Nadu

2719. SHRI KA. RA. SUBBIAN: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of proposals received from Tamil Nadu for construction of new National Highways, converting State roads into National highways, widening the existing National Highways, construction of bye-passes, reconstruction of bridges on the National Highways, etc. since January, 2001;

(b) the details of the allocations made for the above purpose;

(c) whether Government have set any time-frame to complete the above projects; and

(d) the status of each project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (MAJ. GEN. (RETD.) B. C. KHANDURI) : (a) The number of proposals received from Tamil Nadu from January 2001 are as under:

(i)	Construction of new National Highways/converting State Roads into National Highways	: 6
(ii)	Widening the Existing National Highways	: 10
(iii)	Construction of by-pass	: Nil
(iv)	Reconstruction of bridges on National Highways	: 13

(b) Allocation of funds for the development of National Highways is made State wise and not Project/National Highway wise. Allocation made for National Highway Plan works (Original) for 2001-02 for Tamil Nadu is Rs.95.00 crore.

(c) and (d) : (i) The proposal for declaration of new National Highways will be considered along with similar other proposals received from State Governments after finalization of the Tenth Five Year Plan keeping in view the traffic needs, inter-se priority and availability of funds

(ii) Out of the 23 proposals received as mentioned in Para (a) :(ii)&(iv) above, 7 projects have been sanctioned. These are in various stages of progress and targeted for completion by March 2003. 12 proposals were found to be deficient and returned to State PWD for modification. The balance 4 proposals are under examination.

Purchase of vehicles for Enforcement of Traffic Rules in Tripura

2720. SHRI KHAGEN DAS : Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Tripura has submitted a proposal for financial assistance for purchase of five vehicles for enforcement of Traffic Rules and Road Safety Measures under National Highway Patrolling Scheme;

(b) if so, by when the fund would be released; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (MAJ. GEN. (RETD.) B. C. KHANDURI) : (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The State Government of Tripura was sanctioned a sum of Rs.25.00 lakhs during 1997-98 for procurement of one 16 tonnes crane and one ambulance under National Highway Patrolling Scheme. During 2000-2001, an ambulance was given to State Road Transport Undertaking, Tripura. The Ministry is receiving requests from